

Rates of Reaction

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Chemical Kinetics: Reaction Rates

Rate → change in a quantity over a given time interval

$$rate = \frac{\Delta quantity}{\Delta time}$$



Reaction Rates

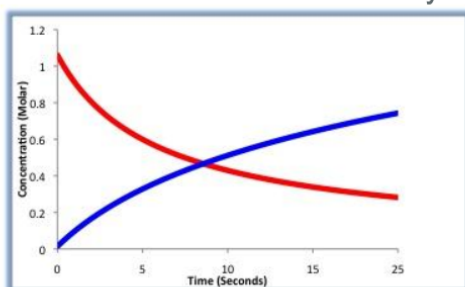
Reaction rate → change in amount of reactants or products present in a system over a given period of time

- Can be measured by either production of products or degradation of reactants

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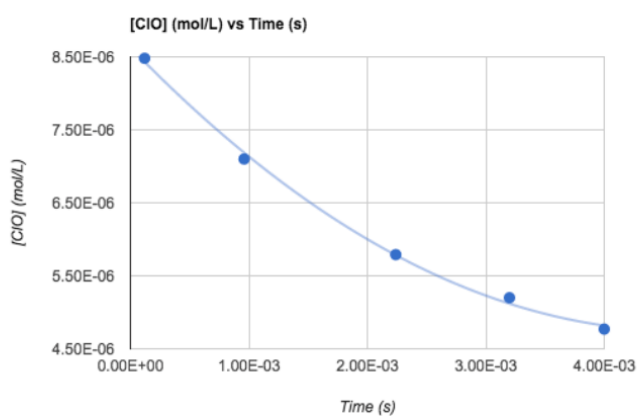
As a reaction proceeds:

- Reactants are used up (decreased concentration in the system)
- Products are created (increased concentration in the system)



Does this graph show
reactants or products?

How do you know?



Measuring reaction rate

Change in either concentration of reactants or products can be measured to indicate reaction progression (rate of reaction)

$$\therefore \text{Reaction rate} = \frac{[A]_{\text{final}} - [A]_{\text{initial}}}{t_{\text{final}} - t_{\text{initial}}} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{Rate} = \Delta[A] / \Delta t$$

Measuring Rates of Reaction

Average rate of reaction:

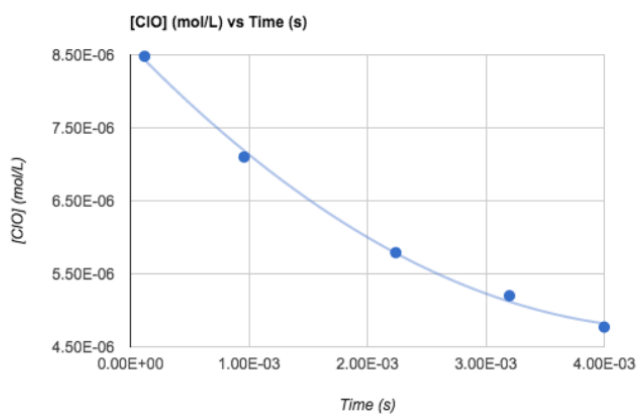
- A rate of reaction measured **over** any time interval ($=\Delta[A]/\Delta t$)

Measured as the slope between any two lines (secant)



Draw a secant line between
 $t = 9.60 \times 10^{-4}$ and $t = 2.24 \times 10^{-3}$

Calculate the average rate of
reaction between those lines
(slope of the secant)



Instantaneous rate of reaction:

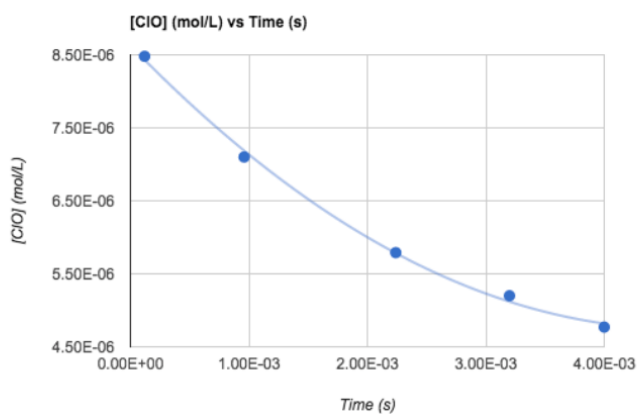
- Rate of a reaction at any given time

Measured as the slope of the line at that specific place (tangent)



Draw a tangent to the curve at $t = 9.6 \times 10^{-4}$

Calculate the instantaneous rate of reaction at that point (slope of the tangent)



In a decomposition reaction represented by $2AB \rightarrow A_2 + B_2$, the concentration of product B_2 after 3.60min is 7.5×10^{-1} mol/L and after 4.80min 8.70×10^{-1} mol/L.

Calculate the average reaction rate, per second, in terms of B_2 between 3.60min and 4.80min.



Expressing reaction rates

When you measure the rate of change in quantity of one reactant or product, you can calculate the rate of change of all other reactants or products.

- Based on stoichiometric relationships (mole ratios)



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Rates of reactions (6.1)

Factors affecting reaction rates (6.2)

Reaction mechanisms (6.3)



Methods of measuring rates of reaction

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From these, we calculate moles (either produced or consumed) and compare them to time \rightarrow mol/s

In an experiment, we collected 6ml of O₂ gas over 2 minutes at SATP. What was the rate of this reaction?



Ex: You reacted 0.05g of Mg(s) in an excess of HCl. After 3 minutes, you removed the Mg strip from the system and it weighed 0.0034g. Calculate the reaction rate with respect to degradation of Mg(s).



Collision Theory

In order for a reaction to proceed, the reactant particles must collide.

- More collisions per unit of time → faster reaction rate

However,

Not all collisions are **effective**



Effective Collisions

For a collision to result in a reaction, it must be effective.

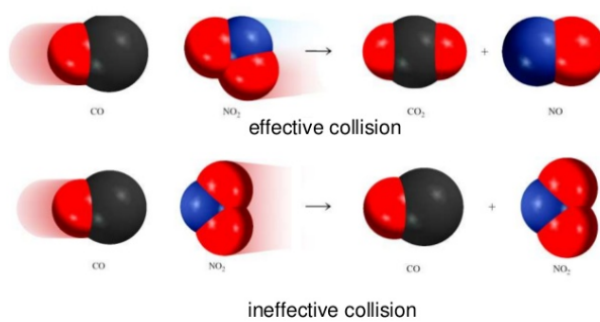
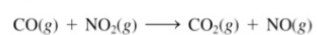
Criteria for effective collisions :

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2. Collision must occur with sufficient energy

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Collision geometry

Importance of Molecular Orientation

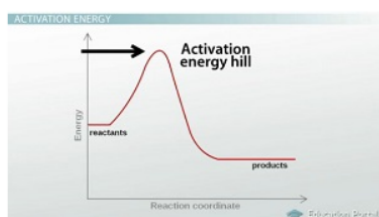


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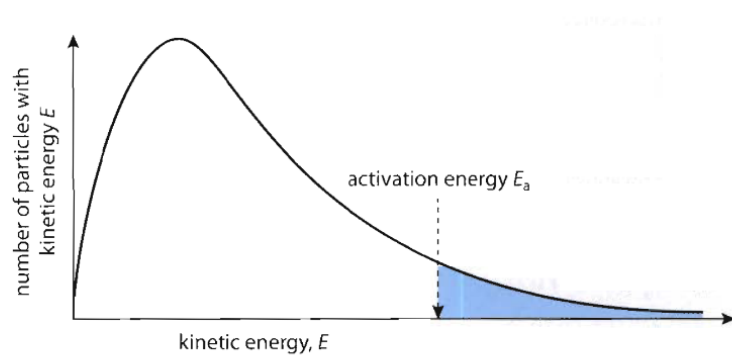
2. Collision must occur with sufficient energy

Must have enough energy to break any bonds in reactant particles.

- Activation energy (E_a) is minimum energy required for a reaction to take place.



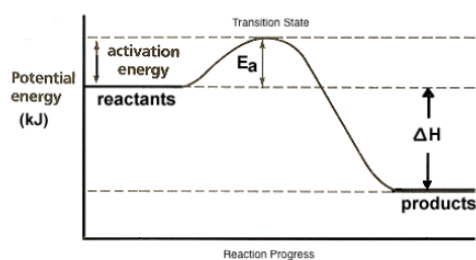
Collision energy = kinetic energy of colliding particles

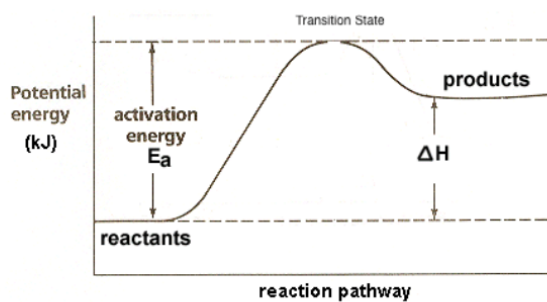


Representing progress of a reaction

Potential energy diagram:

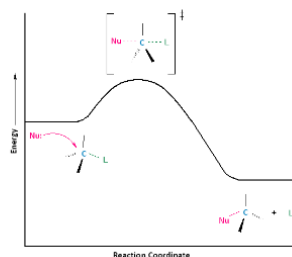
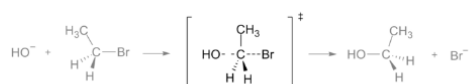
- Show changes in potential energy as a reaction progresses





Transition State (aka “activated complex”)

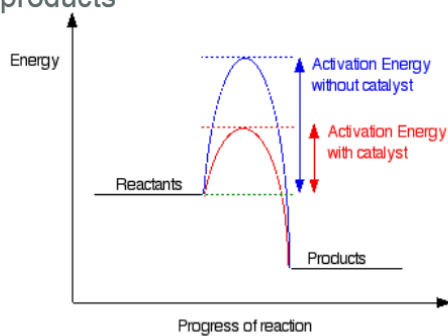
All chemical reactions go through a configuration of partial completion (transition) before they can progress to their product state. (*highest energy state)



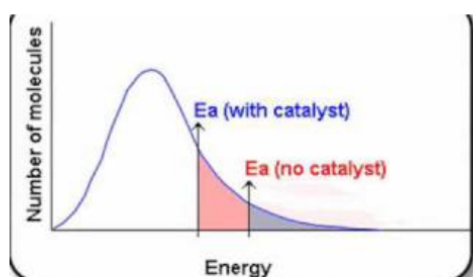
Catalysts

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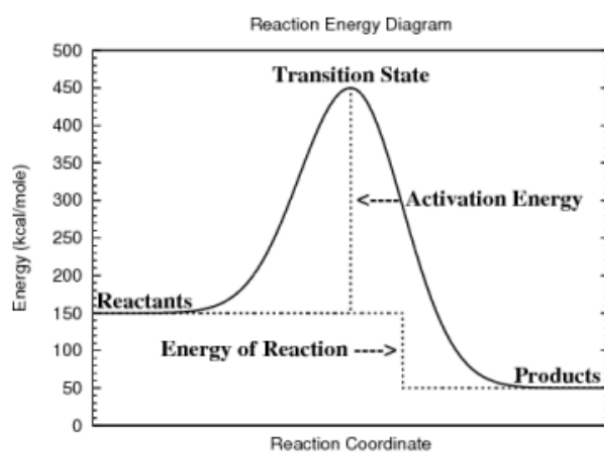
- Enzymes that decrease the activation energy of a reaction by providing alternate way of arriving at products



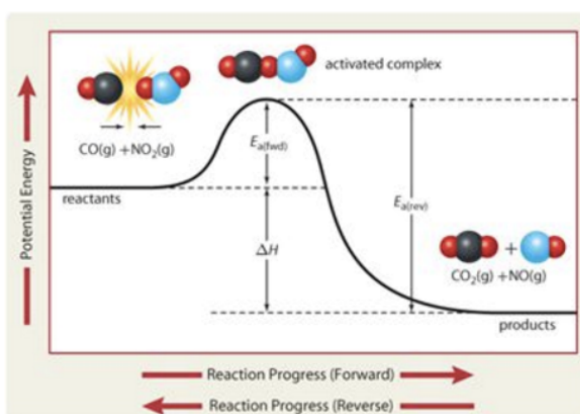
Catalysts impact the rate of reaction



Interpreting a PE diagram



Reversible reactions



Forward reaction read from L → R

Reverse reaction read from R → L

$$E_{a(fwd)} - E_{a(rev)} = \Delta H$$

Practice Problem

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When steam is passed over hot iron, a reaction occurs as shown below.



The activation energy for the reverse reaction, $E_{a(\text{rev})}$ is +200.71kJ.

- Calculate the activation energy for the forward reaction.
- Draw a labelled potential energy diagram showing the enthalpy change and the activation energies for the forward and reverse reactions.